

Memorandum from W. A. Branigan to Mr. E. S. Miller
RE: CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY (CIA)

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[redacted] revealed Walters had at one time worked for former U.S. Ambassador to the Soviet Union, Averell Harriman, and acted as the official translator for President Truman and Secretary of State, General George C. Marshall, during the Pan American Conference in 1947.

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Although the information furnished by Angleton revealed Walters was an Air Force General, it is believed Angleton was referring to Major General Vernon Anthony Walters, who is identical with the individual described above. We have learned from contacts at the Air Force that Major General Walters is currently the Defense and Army Attache in Paris, France, and is expected to return to the U.S. for a still undesignated assignment in January, 1972.

Bufiles contain no derogatory information regarding General Walters.

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Memorandum

TO : MR. E. S. MILLER *esm*

DATE: December 22, 1971

FROM : W. A. BRANIGAN *WAB*

SUBJECT: CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY (CIA)

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This memorandum reports the results of a check of Bureau indices on Major General Vernon Anthony Walters, United States Army, born January 3, 1917, New York City, believed to be selected as the new Deputy Director of CIA (not yet announced).

Memorandum Branigan to Miller dated 12/17/71 reported information confidentially learned from Mr. James Angleton, CIA, that Air Force General Walters has been reliably reported to be selected as the new Deputy Director of CIA.

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A review of Bureau files reveals that Colonel Vernon Anthony Walters was the subject of a name check request from the Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence, United States Army, on June 17, 1969. At that time Walters was residing at 555-Indian Road Terrace, Northwest, Washington, D. C., and was assigned to the Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence, Department of the Army. He was previously employed by London Guarantee and Accidental Company, New York City.

In 1962 Colonel Vernon A. Walters, Army Attache, U. S. Embassy, Rome, Italy, requested our Legal Attache in Rome to arrange for a meeting with the Director during which time he would have with him Giulio Andreotti, Italian Minister of Defense. At that time Andreotti was to visit the U.S. as a guest of the Department of Defense. Due to a curtailment of the Defense Minister's itinerary in the United States, it was impossible for him and Colonel Walters to have a meeting with the Director.

Bufiles show that Walters was very closely associated with former President Dwight D. Eisenhower and then Vice President Richard M. Nixon. As a translator-interpreter he accompanied President Eisenhower on a world tour in 1959 and then Vice President Nixon during his South American tour. Our Legal Attache in Rome advised in 1962 that Walters is an extremely dynamic, dedicated Army officer who speaks six languages fluently and at that time was a very cooperative and close contact of the Rome Office.

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